

SENATE RESOLUTION 300

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to recognize, honor, and thank Hannah Yael Berke and Orly Rose Berke for serving the Senate and helping their father in his legislative responsibilities on the Senate floor for the first time.

WHEREAS, Hannah Yael and Orly Rose Berke are the brilliant and beautiful daughters of the likewise lovely and talented Monique and the somewhat useful Senator Andy Berke; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2008, for the first time, Orly and Hannah, accompanied by their mother, joined their father on the floor of the Senate and, for the first time, aided him in fulfilling his voting responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly immediately noticed the enhanced efficiency and effectiveness of Senator Berke, whose awesome talents had previously established high standards, which were multiplied by the aid of his principal Aides-de-Camp; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is, and the entire state government should be, grateful for Hannah and Orly's new but impressive public service; and

WHEREAS, the Senate has even greater hopes for the fine future of Tennessee with the talents of Orly and Hannah being brought to public service; and

WHEREAS, seven-year-old Hannah is an excellent student at Normal Park Museum Magnet School and five-year-old Orly is a sterling pre-Kindergarten student at the Aleph Bet Children's Center; and

WHEREAS, Hannah's tremendous talents have already been demonstrated by her excellence in basketball, arts and crafts, and reading, and she is an incredibly inquisitive and very focused young woman who is already known as the "Tiger Woods of TCAPs"; and

WHEREAS, Orly's fantastic gifts have shown themselves through her athleticism, cooking abilities, arts and crafts, reading, socializing, competitiveness, and her combination of

the traits of (in the finest sense) “sassy” and “snuggly,” even as she approaches life more attuned to the *kairos* than the *chronos*; and

WHEREAS, both Orly and Hannah revel in being with their father, even, and perhaps especially, in the performance of his public duties, not only in his voting, but also in his public speaking and television interviews; and

WHEREAS, as much as these young women enjoy helping their dad in his public service, they eagerly anticipate his departure from Nashville this spring and his return to their beloved Chattanooga, as well as the family trips this summer to their loving grandparents’ beach house; and

WHEREAS, this Senate looks forward with excitement and enthusiasm to what these intrepid young women will offer the world in the future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Hannah and Orly Berke our deepest gratitude for the help, support, and love they give to their fine father and their brilliant and beautiful mother, Monique.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Orly and Hannah are hereby extended a fond and familial invitation to join us again as often as their schedules allow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hannah and Orly are hereby designated as the State’s inaugural Superb Student Senators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.